



McCormick's Creek State Park

June

Nature Center Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. 7 days a week!

Look for our program schedules on the web:

<http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2420.htm>

Our programs are free and open to the public after paying the park entrance fee. Please contact the Nature Center if you would like us to do a private program for your group- 812-829-4344.

****Healthy Parks/Healthy People:** Look for HP/HP on the schedule to get "INshape" with us, and discover what it takes to keep a state park or reservoir healthy.

Nature Center Renovation: New Nature Center exhibits are currently underway. The Nature Center display room will be closed for renovation. However, the Nature Center office, program room, and restrooms will remain open throughout the renovation so feel free to stop in!

Wolf Cave is closed for the 2009 season in order to protect our bats. Stop by the Nature Center for more information.

This week's theme: Creeks!

Monday, June 1st

11:00 AM **Creek Peek** Meet at the Nature Center. Explore the creek that made McCormick's famous!

Tuesday, June 2nd

11:00 AM **Creek Chemistry** – Nature Center. Conduct chemical tests to reveal science secrets about the creek.

1:30 PM **Creature Feature: Red-eared slider** Nature Center.

Wednesday, June 3rd

11:00 AM **Creek Fossil Hunt** Meet at the Nature Center. The creek is the perfect place to look for fossils!



Thursday, June 4th

11:00 AM **Animal Life in the Creek-** Meet at the Nature Center. Who lives there?

2:00 PM **Critter Feeding** Nature Center.



Friday, June 5th

11:00 AM **The Incredible Journey-** Nature Center. Become a water droplet and travel through the water cycle.

1:30 PM **Water Chemistry and Conservation-** Nature Center. Join guest speaker Dan Dalton, Bean Blossom-Patricksborg Water Plant Superintendent as he speaks about conserving this important resource.

2:00 PM **Hike to the White River. *HP/HP** Meet at the Nature Center. Bring a water bottle for this 1 ½ hour hike to check out where the creek meets the river!

Saturday, June 6th

11:00 AM **Slippery Sliders** Nature Center. Learn about our turtle's special adaptations that help it live in the water.

1:30 PM **H2O Olympics** –Nature Center. Challenge each other while discovering the wonders of water.

4:00 PM **Pool Program!** Swimming in the pool? See a naturalist on the break!

Sunday, June 7th

- 11:00 AM** **Amazing Macroinvertebrates** – Meet at the Nature Center. Comb the creek for aquatic insects.
- 1:30 PM** **Creek Cleanup!** Meet at the Nature Center. Help a naturalist keep the creek clean!

This week's theme: Weather!



Monday, June 8th

- 11:00 AM** **Writing about Weather-**Nature Center. Craft yourself a weather journal to take home!
- 1:30 PM** **Wagging in the Wind-** Nature Center. Create a wind sock to tell which way the wind blows.



Tuesday, June 9th

- 11:00 AM** **Twister-** Nature Center. Tornado in a Bottle, How tornadoes are formed!
- 1:30 PM** **Rainbows and Sundogs** – Nature Center. Discover the secrets behind these sunshine wonders.

Wednesday, June 10th

- 11:00 AM** **Weather Wisdom** – Nature Center
- 1:30 PM** **Free-Wheeling on Thermal-**Nature Center.

Thursday, June 11th

- 11:00 AM** **Forecasting 101-** Nature Center. You don't have to be a meteorologist to forecast the weather!
- 2:00 PM** **Critter Feeding** Nature Center.

Friday, June 12th

- 11:00 AM** **Under Pressure-** Nature Center. Learn how to use meteorologists most important weather predicting tool.
- 1:30 PM** **Thunderstorm Chorus:** Nature Center. Join as we make a storm of our own!



Saturday, June 13th

- 11:00 AM** **Rain Stick Craft-** Nature Center. Make an instrument to bring on the rain!
- 1:30 PM** **Forecasting 101-** Nature Center. You don't have to be a meteorologist to forecast the weather!
- 4:00 PM** **Pool Program!** Swimming in the pool? See a naturalist on the break!

Sunday, June 14th

- 11:00 AM** **Kite Making-** Nature Center. Craft your own high flyer!
- 1:30 PM** **Crazy for clouds!** Nature Center. Learn cloud identification basics!



This week's theme: Geology!

Monday, June 15th

- 11:00 AM** **Gee...Odes-** Nature Center. Where did they come from and why are they here?
- 1:30 PM** **Fossil Hunt** Meet at Nature Center. McCormick's Creek is famous for fossils!



Tuesday, June 16th

- 3:00 PM** **Critters that hide in the rocks!** Nature Center. Who's using the rocks to hide?

Wednesday, June 17th

Sorry No Programs today!

Thursday, June 18th

- 11:00 AM** **Rock Eaten By Water! Sinkholes!** Meet at Nature Center. How does a sinkhole form?
- 2:00 PM** **Critter Feeding Time.** Nature Center.



Friday, June 19th

- 11:00 AM** **Soil Safari-** Nature Center. Dirt is what's under your fingernails...soil is beneath our feet! Take a journey below the surface.
- 1:30 PM** **Rocky & Roll-** Nature Center. Learn some rock basics!

Saturday, June 20th

- 11:00 AM** **Make a fossil** Nature Center. Preserve your footprint in time! Take home a fossilized footprint!
- 1:30 PM** **Caves** Meet at Nature Center. Hike to Wolf Cave. Learn about the white-nosed syndrome and why we won't be able to climb through!
- 7:30 PM** **Summer Concert Series:** Park Amphitheater.



Sunday, June 21st

- 11:00 AM** **Father-Son Fossil Hunt.** Meet at Nature Center. Celebrate father's day by bringing dad down to the creek!
- 1:30 PM** **A Quarryman's Tale.** Meet at Canyon Inn. Take a step back in time to learn about the Quarrymen that worked here.

This week's theme: Arts in Nature!

Monday, June 22nd

- 11:00 AM** **Nature Haiku.** Nature Center. Let nature inspire your poetic side.
- 1:30 PM** **Nature Weaving.** Nature Center.



Tuesday, June 23rd

- 11:00 AM** **Paper Making-** Nature Center.
- 1:30 PM** **Watercolor the Creek.** Meet at the Nature Center.

Wednesday, June 24th

- 11:00 AM** **An artist's inspiration: Snakes!** Nature Center. Snakes have often sparked artistic design! See snakes from Central and South America.
- 1:30 PM** **Snake Craft.** Nature Center. Create your own snake-themed craft!

Thursday, June 25th

- 2:00M** **Critter Feeding Time** Nature Center.

Friday, June 26th

- 11:00 AM** **Sassafras Beads.** Nature Center.

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** Find a detailed brochure by calling 812-829-4344*

or online at <http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2420.htm>

Friday, June 26th

- 7:00 PM** **Arts In The Park Kickoff Concert! Creek Dogs!** Nature Center Amphitheater

Saturday, June 27th

- 10 AM-5PM** **Art Fair-** McCormick's Creek Nature Center Parking Lot. Local art vendors featuring their works!
- 11:30-8:30** **Live Music Performances-** Showmobile Stage, Nature Center Parking Lot. Kick back and relax with 6 local music performances. Bluegrass to blues!

Sunday, June 28th

- 11:00- 2:15** **Live Music and Art Participation Workshops-** Showmobile Stage and Nature Center Area
**Pre-registration for workshops recommended.
Call 812-829-4344 to register